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GOV. EASLEY REAPPOINTS FIVE TO N.C. STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has reappointed **Robert B. Cordle** of Charlotte, **Larry Leake** of Mars Hill, **Lorraine G. Shinn** of Greenville, **Genevieve C. Sims** of Raleigh and **Charles “Chuck” Herman Winfree** of Greensboro to the N.C. State Board of Elections.

Cordle is a partner with Mayer, Brown, Rowe and Maw LLP in Charlotte. He served as a captain in the U.S. Army and is a Vietnam veteran. Cordle received his bachelor’s degree with honors from Davidson College and graduated cum laude with a law degree from the New York University School of Law.

Leake is a partner with Leake and Scott in Asheville and Marshall. He received his bachelor’s degree in law and his law degree from the University of North Carolina (UNC) at Chapel Hill.

Shinn is president and broker-in-charge with L&S Properties of Pitt County. She is a former member and Mayor Pro Tem of the Greenville City Council. Shinn is also a former member of the Pitt Community College Board of Trustees. She received her bachelor’s degree in psychology from East Carolina University.

Sims is an attorney with Law Offices of Genevieve C. Sims in Raleigh. She is a former member of the board for the YWCA of the Greater Triangle and a member of the Research Triangle Park Chapter of LINKS Inc. Sims received her bachelor’s degree in economics from N.C. State University, her master’s degree in public administration from the University of Southern California and her law degree from N.C. Central University.

Winfree is an attorney with Winfree and Winfree in Greensboro. He is former Guilford County Commissioner and a member of the Civitan Club. He received his bachelor’s degree in computer science from N.C. State University and his law degree with honors from UNC-Chapel Hill.

The board has general supervision over the primaries and elections in the state, establishes rules and regulations for the conduct of elections, publishes and provides election laws for the county and municipal board of elections, appoints all members of the county boards of elections, investigates the administration of election laws, frauds and irregularities, etc. There are five members on the board, each serving four-year terms. The governor appoints all members.

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